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FIRST REPORT

OF THE

SOCIETY FOR THE EDUCATION

OF

Deaf and Dumb.

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20th APRIL, 1820.

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*Extract from the Minutes of the Society.*

20th APRIL, 1820.

The Managers of the Society, along with a large assembly of Subscribers and Friends to the Institution, met in the Andersonian Hall. In absence of the Patron and President, both of whom had expressed regret at being prevented from attending on the occasion, John Hamilton, Esq. of North Park, was unanimously called to the Chair. Before proceeding to the business of the day, he stated how deeply interested he felt, in the benevolent plans of the Society; and recommended, as in every respect worthy of the attention and patronage of the public, the important object for the furtherance of which the meeting had been called.

The Secretary then gave in his Report of the proceedings of the past year; which was approved of, and ordered to be printed. It was next stated to the meeting, that the Treasurer, Mr. Tennent, finding it inconvenient, owing to the press of other engagements, to discharge the duties of his office, felt himself under the necessity of resigning it. The Managers, sensible of the great obligations under which they have been laid to him, rendered him their warmest thanks for his faithful and able services. Mr. Crooks was appointed Treasurer in his room; and, instead of Mr. Crooks, Kirkman Finlay, Esq. was elected to the vacant Vice-Presidentship.

The Scholars were afterwards examined, according to their several classes—from those who are learning the manual alphabet, to those who are making proficiency in reading, writing and arithmetic, and in acquaintance with the Scriptures, and the great principles of religion. Their examination having afforded eminent proof of the ability and diligence of the Teacher, the thanks of the Society, were given to Mr. Anderson, for his unremitted attention and zeal in the business of his profession.

John Hamilton Esq. having left the Chair, the Directors expressed their obligations to him, for his conduct as their President on the occasion, and for his regard to the welfare of the Institution.



## REPORT, &c.

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THE Managers of the GLASGOW SOCIETY for the EDUCATION of the DEAF and DUMB, have reason to congratulate themselves, that in furtherance of the object they have in view, they appear to have interested the Public.

Doubt was expressed in some quarters, whether a case had been made out sufficiently strong, to warrant the formation of an Institution separate from the one so long established, and prospering so well in Edinburgh. But the doubt can be entertained only while the circumstances of the case are unknown. The simple facts, that the School in Edinburgh is crowded, and that, while several children from this western district, and chiefly from Glasgow itself, are under instruction there, no fewer than thirty-two belonging to the same district, are now in this School, and that applications on behalf of fifty-five, wait the decision of the Managers,—These facts are sufficient to show, that a good and a strong case has been made out to justify the formation of the Society. And the Managers congratulate themselves, that the necessity has been admitted, and the call for it been heard, by a generous Public.

Immediately after the Society was instituted, in the month of January 1819, measures were adopted for

carrying its design into effect. A Committee was appointed to gather subscriptions; from whose exertions, there has been realised in all, the sum of 1933*l.* 9*s.* This, raised in times of peculiar difficulty, may be received, at the outset, as a demonstration from the public, of its good-will to the undertaking; and may surely be reckoned upon as a pledge of future support and countenance.

But it must be prominently represented to every one who wishes well to the undertaking, that demands on the funds, and on exertions for increasing these, are great, and, for some time, will continue to be great. Let it be kept in mind, first of all, that there are certain children (as hinted at above) attending the Edinburgh Seminary, the expense of whose education this Society has to defray. The burden of these was devolved upon the Managers, in the following manner:—Some years ago, an Institution was formed in this City, as auxiliary to the one in Edinburgh. At the time of erecting the present Society, the members of that Auxiliary Institution, were carrying on the education of seventeen children, in the School of the Parent Establishment. As it was evident that the formation of an Independent Seminary here, would at once cut off the usual sources of supply from the Auxiliary, by gathering the public contributions into its own funds; it became absolutely necessary for the Managers of the new Institution, to undertake the engagements of its forerunner. The funds, 104*l.* 8*s.* 7*d.* belonging to the Auxiliary, were accordingly transferred to the Treasurer of this; and, of course, the expense of educating the children now in Edinburgh, has to be defrayed from its resources.



It has been asked, no doubt, Whether these children might not be removed to the School here, and be educated under the inspection of those, who are subscribing for their benefit? But it is suggested, in reply, that whilst the most perfect confidence is put in the care and fidelity of the Directors of the Edinburgh Society, as well as in the qualifications of the Teacher there, two reasons decide against the removal of them; the one is, the smallness of accommodation in the House at present occupied by the Teacher here; and the other (which is the material one), the injury that might be done to the instruction of the children themselves, by changing on them the master, and, it may be, in some respects the plan of tuition. Their education, however, will soon be completed, and the burden of expense in that quarter cease altogether\*.

To this cause of expenditure, another and greater has to be added. In the month of May last, the Managers came to a resolution upon the necessity of building a House and School-Room. The premises at present occupied by their Teacher, are so small as to render the tuition of the children, in many respects, difficult to be carried on; while the health, both of Master and Scholar, is endangered by the close air of the crowded apartments. Besides, in such premises, it were impossible to extend the benefits of the Institution. For these reasons, the Managers resolved to build; and, after various deliberations, both with Mr. Cleland and Mr. Rodger (from whose advice they have derived great assistance), they purchased ground on the Barony Glebe; a situation at once

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\* Seven of them completed their education two weeks ago.

retired, well aired, and not too distant from town. The principle on which the plan of the building was chosen, was the combination of economy with as much convenience and neatness as were required. The foundation-stone was laid early in the month of March last; and the work, under able tradesmen, is now rapidly advancing.

To bring at once under review, the demand which these causes of expenditure will make upon the exertions of the Managers, and the generosity of the Public, the following quotation is made from a Report given in, on the state of the Funds, by Mr. Crooks and Mr. Ryburn: “We have had under consideration, the probable expense for the current year; and, so far as we can judge, are of opinion, that the *ordinary* expenses (including those for the children in the Edinburgh Institution) cannot be estimated at less than £500, being same as last year; and that the extra expense on account of the building now begun, is estimated about £2300. To meet these expenses, there appears by the state of the Funds, to be on hand only £1680, making a deficiency of about £1200.”

Such a view were discouraging in any other country, and almost in any other city than this: but the Managers neither despair nor despond. They do not doubt, that the contributions continuing and increasing, will enable them, at no distant period, to clear their way through every embarrassment. When once the way is cleared, the upholding of the Institution will not be difficult. There are Children attending it, whose Parents are able, and think it cheaply bought, to afford a remuneration (as far as money can be a remuneration) for the invaluable instruction received under its superintendence.



This will render the education of the Paupers easier; and then, as the Paupers from other places are maintained by their respective parishes, the ways and means to be provided by Glasgow, will regard first its own Paupers, then the annual interest on the Purchase, and lastly the surplus expense, which, in prosecuting a benevolent object, has always to be incurred in the place where the exertion for it is made. These, no doubt, will entail an annual burden upon the Public here; but it will not be very heavy, and may ultimately become comparatively light. In the mean time, however, the utmost exertions are necessary, that as large a share as possible of the public beneficence may be obtained. And for such an object as the one in view, it never will be doubted that the public will be ready to give assistance.

The Managers are happy to be able to state, that, for promoting their great object, a person of respectable character and acquirements is now under training with the Teacher, who affords the promise of becoming an effective coadjutor with him, in his important work. The work itself, appears to be prospering in his hand. His School has been regularly examined by a committee appointed for that purpose, during the past year, and been subjected to frequent inspection by individual members. Progress of a striking kind, has been visible among the several classes into which the School is divided; from those children who are acquiring the first principles of education, to those who read, write, cast accounts, and are making proficiency in their attempts at composition\*. The Directors think, that they owe it to the Teacher to

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\* Some specimens of their attempts at composition are subjoined to this Report.

say, that the examinations throughout the year, have completely established their confidence in him, as one who is thoroughly qualified for his office.

In his labours, and in the great result of his labours among these children, it is impossible not to feel deeply interested. To instruct the ignorant, forms, in all circumstances, an important duty, and when instruction is eagerly received, the communicating of it, is a delightful thing. But in the circumstances of these peculiarly desolate beings, the whole matter becomes doubly interesting, and singularly affecting. The giving of knowledge to them, has a cheering and inspiriting influence, as if it were adding a new impulse to life in them. It is evidently received with a relish, and a sense of enjoyment is evidently moved by it, in a way that children initiated according to the gradual methods of our ordinary state, never do, and cannot perhaps experience. And surely no one who imagines the enlivening and happy effect, of the admission of knowledge to their benighted minds; no one who thinks, what they would have been without the inestimable art, under which they are now training; and what, by the blessing of God, it is bringing them to;—preparing them for being useful, and good, and cheerful in this world; and, by the faith of the Gospel, to which it introduces them, happy in the next,—surely, no one who reflects on these things, but will sincerely rejoice in all their progress, and all their acquisitions. Nor will any refuse to enter most tenderly, into the delightful feelings of parents, when they shall receive back under their roof, those, whom an afflictive lot, seemed to have set aside from the domestic circle, not only as mute but useless, raised up to be helps and comforts, intelligent companions and



friends to them. And as laying open the heart of a parent so situated, this Report may appropriately be closed with the following quotation. It is taken from a letter lately received by the Secretary, from a Gentleman, who has two children in the School. Without doubt, the call made upon us, to persevere in our plans, coming from such a quarter is quite irresistible. “The trial,” he says, in reference to the state of his children, “is a severe one, and when I inform you, that I have a daughter very little better than her two brothers, you will conceive what I must feel. But it is the will of Providence,—my duty is to submit; and I trust I have been enabled to say, ‘Thy will be done.’ But I do adore that Gracious Being, who has endowed persons with a capacity for teaching them, and enabling them to understand their duty to God and man. I sincerely hope, the most complete success will crown your exertions, in your plans for an establishment so beneficial in its effects, in relieving so destitute a class of society; which, without such assistance, would be little better than the brutes that perish.—O persevere in your generous intentions. And may the Institution go on, till there is not an applicant, that there is not room for.”



## STATE OF FUNDS

OF THE

*DEAF & DUMB INSTITUTION of Glasgow, for the year 1819.***Expenditure.**

|                                                                                                     |       |    |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|---|
| To paid Mr. Anderson, Balance of former year's Account,                                             | £15   | 12 | 1 |
| Half-year's Feu-Duty at Martinmas, on Ground purchased for erecting House, School, and Play-Ground, | 24    | 10 | 6 |
| Clerk of Roup at Sale of Ground, .....                                                              | 0     | 10 | 6 |
| John Haddow, Assistant to Mr. Anderson, .....                                                       | 10    | 0  | 0 |
| Collecting Subscriptions, .....                                                                     | 10    | 10 | 0 |
| Printing Reports and Advertisements, .....                                                          | 22    | 8  | 0 |
| Stationery, Charter-Chests, and Postages, .....                                                     | 5     | 18 | 9 |
| Porterage and Use of Play-Ground, .....                                                             | 1     | 8  | 0 |
| Allowance on Account of Board for Mary Thomson, ...                                                 | 5     | 0  | 0 |
| Expense Sending a Boy to Edinburgh, .....                                                           | 1     | 4  | 6 |
| Owing Mr. Anderson, the Teacher, for<br>sundry small Sums omitted in former<br>Account, .....       | £6    | 9  | 8 |
| Provisions for 15 Boarders, House-Rent,<br>Coals, Candles, Stationery, Servant's<br>Wages, &c. .... | 244   | 4  | 4 |
| Allowance for use of Furniture, .....                                                               | 12    | 14 | 0 |
| Salary for 12 months, during which there<br>was, on an average, 30 Scholars, .....                  | 200   | 0  | 0 |
| Sundries for Alexander Steel, an orphan, ..                                                         | 1     | 16 | 0 |
|                                                                                                     | <hr/> |    |   |
|                                                                                                     | £465  | 4  | 0 |

**LESS.**

|                                                                                                                |       |    |    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|----|----|
| Received by Mr. Anderson,<br>of Education of 6 children, £57 18 0                                              |       |    |    |
| And for Board and Education<br>of 11 Children, .....                                                           | 206   | 10 | 9  |
|                                                                                                                | <hr/> |    |    |
|                                                                                                                | 264   | 8  | 9  |
|                                                                                                                | <hr/> |    |    |
|                                                                                                                | 200   | 15 | 3  |
| Due Edinburgh Institution, on account of 17 Children,<br>placed there by the Glasgow Auxiliary Society, say... | 200   | 0  | 0  |
| Balance applicable to Expenses of 1820, .....                                                                  | 1680  | 8  | 5  |
|                                                                                                                | <hr/> |    |    |
|                                                                                                                | £2176 | 5  | 10 |

## Receipts.

|                                                        |      |    |                   |
|--------------------------------------------------------|------|----|-------------------|
| By Glasgow Auxiliary Society, received from them,..... | £104 | 8  | 7                 |
| Donations received this year,.....                     | 1850 | 0  | 0                 |
| Annual Subscriptions,.....                             | 82   | 19 | 0                 |
| Contributions on account of                            |      |    |                   |
| 4 Children in the Edinburgh Institution, £54           | 11   | 0  |                   |
| 2     Do.     Glasgow     do.     20                   | 0    | 0  |                   |
|                                                        |      |    | <u>74 11 0</u>    |
| Interest received from the Bank, .....                 | 63   | 17 | 3                 |
|                                                        |      |    | <u>£2176 5 10</u> |

GLASGOW, 10th February, 1820—Examined, and found correct,

(Signed) ADAM CROOKS.  
JOHN RYBURN.

## STOCK

OF

*DEAF & DUMB INSTITUTION of Glasgow, 31st Dec. 1819.*

|                                  |       |   |                  |
|----------------------------------|-------|---|------------------|
| To Amount in Glasgow Bank, ..... | £2050 | 0 | 0                |
| Do.     Treasurer's hands,.....  | 1     | 3 | 6                |
|                                  |       |   | <u>£2051 3 6</u> |

OFF.

|                                               |        |    |                  |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------|----|------------------|
| By Owing Mr. Anderson, the                    |        |    |                  |
| Teacher,.....                                 | £200   | 15 | 3                |
| Less, paid him,.....                          | 50     | 0  | 0                |
|                                               |        |    | <u>£150 15 3</u> |
| Edinburgh Institution, on account of 17       |        |    |                  |
| Children, placed there by the Glasgow         |        |    |                  |
| Auxiliary Society, say, .....                 | 200    | 0  | 0                |
|                                               |        |    | <u>350 15 3</u>  |
| Balance, applicable to Expenses of 1820,..... | L.1680 | 8  | 3                |

GLASGOW, 10th February, 1820—Examined, and found correct,

(Signed) ADAM CROOKS.  
JOHN RYBURN.

## *Regulations of the Society.*

I. THAT this Institution shall be called, “The Glasgow Society, for the Education of Deaf and Dumb,” the design of which, shall be to supply the Means of Instruction to the Deaf and Dumb Children of all classes and ranks of life.

II. That the Institution shall consist of a Patron, a President, eight Vice-Presidents, a Committee of twenty Directors, and a Treasurer and Secretary, who shall be Members of the Committee, *ex officio*.

III. That the Office-Bearers shall be nominated at a general meeting of Subscribers, to be held as appointed in a subsequent Regulation.

IV. That in choosing the Committee of Directors, twelve shall be chosen from the old Committee, and the remaining eight from the general body of Subscribers.

V. That immediately on their election, the Committee shall appoint two Sub-Committees,—one to superintend the Education of the Children, visiting the School, in turn, from time to time, and entering their Report in the Book to be kept there for that purpose; and the other, to take a general cognizance of all who board with the Teacher, and particularly of such as board with him on the lowest rate.—Five shall form the quorum of the Committee of Directors.

VI. That no Child shall be admitted to the School before seven years of age, nor after fourteen; though, on the occurrence of any very extraordinary case, the Directors shall have the discretionary power of dispensing with this Rule.

VII. That no Child be admitted, who appears deficient in intellect; or, if found, on trial, to be so, must instantly be removed.



VIII. That no Child shall be admitted, unless he or she shall have had the Small-pox, or Cow-pox.

IX. That in all cases, when the Parents are unable, and where, neither Relations, nor benevolent Individuals, come forward to pay for the *Education* of the Applicants, the Society afford Instruction gratuitously.

X. That in cases, where a part of the Expense will be paid by the Parents or Friends, the Directors shall have the power of fixing a Sum for the remainder, corresponding with the Circumstances of the Applicant.

XI. That though the main design of the Society is to supply means of *Instruction*, yet in all cases, where it is satisfactorily made out, that the Applicants are in destitute circumstances, the Directors shall have the power of defraying the Expense of Board or Clothing, or both, as the necessity of the case may prescribe: it being understood, however, that Paupers residing out of Glasgow, be provided for by their own Parishes.

XII. That all Applications for Admission of Children, be transmitted to the Secretary, with the Extract of Age; an Attestation of their being Deaf and Dumb; and the Surgeon's Certificate of their having had the Small-pox, or Cow-pox, and being free from infectious disorders.

XIII. That the Right of admitting to the Benefits of the Institution, lie with the Patron, President, Vice-Presidents, and Directors.

XIV. That Two Meetings in the Year, be held for the Admission of Applicants; the one, early in the month of April, immediately previous to the Annual Examination; and the other, immediately after the Vacation.

XV. That at the Meetings for Admission of Applicants,

no business shall be transacted, unless the President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, and ten of the Committee of Directors, be present.

XVI. That an Annual Meeting be held publicly in the month of April, (the Subscribers having been invited to attend, by Advertisement in the Newspapers,) when the Examination of the Children shall take place, the Report of the Proceedings for the by-gone year, be read, and the Accounts be shown and passed. To this Meeting all Subscribers be admitted gratis—Non-subscribers, on paying a small rate of admission.

XVII. That the Directors have four Meetings in the Year, for the Examination of the School,—the Annual Meeting being accounted one.

XVIII. That the Society shall have the power, as they see fit, to rescind or alter the Rules, or make new ones; but that all such changes in the Regulations, be subject to review at the Annual Meeting of Subscribers.

XIX.—(This Regulation passed 20th April, 1820, to which particular attention is requested)—That, previous to a Pupil's being admitted, Security shall be given by some respectable Person residing in Glasgow, not only for the regular Payment of the Wages for Education and for Board, and that in advance, but also with an obligation to provide the Pupils with sufficient and proper clothing, and in case of sickness, improper conduct, deficiency in intellect, or completion of Education, to remove the Pupil immediately on receiving orders to that effect.

## SPECIMENS OF COMPOSITION.

*The following is by a Boy who has been One Year and Eight Months under Tuition.*

Dear Father

Last Tuesday. The day I went to Kilmarnock I saw a man lying on the road dead, a rabbit run away out of a hole I took four young rabbits I hide them in a cave on the side of a grasshill Alexander Dinning was feared he was making a little boat with a chisel, and knife and blood his thumb. I gave my brother James a wherry, it sailed fast, the wind blew it. Another wherry sailed slow. I came home to see you. I knocked at the door, I saw you wonder to see me. I saw many sea gulls. Two boys wrestle one fall. I saw a ship shoot a cannon on sabbath day. I saw a lad dive in the salt-water, he was drowned. Many bees came out of a hole I think beehive. I saw a drunk man on the street. A boy cast a stone at me and hurt my leg it blood. A woman gave me a drink a sweetmilk. A boy cast a stone and hurt a boy forehead it blood he is a bad boy to cast stones at boys and girls. My fish stick broke when I was fishing. I play at putting stone, the hoop & run on the grass, I saw a man play at the coits. Thomas Wallace gave me a drink of beer at Kilmarnock.

I am

Dear Father,

Your affectionate Son

JOHN MOIR

No. 38 John street }  
Glasgow 9th August 1819 }



*The following is by two Girls who have been Two Years and  
Four Months under Tuition.*

Dear Sir,

Last Friday I saw my mother, she told me to write a letter to you, I love you, you ar kind to me to give me a present of the holy bible the best of all books. I thanked you. I will take good care of it, she told me, she would send me a new frock and a pair of stockings next, April for examination, I like to see Andersonianhall. The Rev. Mr James Thomson minister, I think, he like to see Andersonianhall, will he come from Paisley to Glasgow with you to see, me, he saw examination last year. I love my master said to me, I was very diligent and learned well. I can count Addition, Subtraction Multiplication. I never had a letter from you. I do not like to leave school till I be a good scholar I do not know what I am to do when I leave school. I do not play on Sabbath, I read the bible you give me. I do not trifle, nor steal, nor tellies, nor play on Sabbath. I go to church next Sabbath. This morning I rose at 7 o'clock I prayed to God for to keep safe me from evil, I do not love sin. Ten days ago, I saw boys and girls like to see new foundation, Mr Hopkirk has chapping three time right hand with a mallet new foundation. I saw The Rev. Dr Ranken, he prayed to God and for all us, I think he is a very good man. I saw Margaret Anderson come from Greenock she came into schoolroom to see deaf and dumb children, speak them, she was very clever. Last Saturday I saw my sister Elisabeth was very kind to me. she gave me a halfpenny I thanked her.

I am,

Dear Sir

Your humble servant

MARION GOVAN

38 Johnstreet  
Glasgow 5th March 1820 }

Dear Master,

Last Thursday at one o'clock Deaf children were looked at examination. Mr Haddow spelled verbs.

Ladies & Gentlemen all laugh deaf children James Thomson pointed to the picture. My mother father and uncle saw me. I spelled on fingers the Lord's prayer. Ladies & Gentlemen great crowd & all look at letterbooks, bibles & specimens & dictionaries. John Moir is speak "dear friends &c &c" And people commend him all go out to door. Last Friday at 9 o'clock went into steamboat, the duckers, gulls dive deep in sea. At Greenock see new house the crown lion & unicorn above door head. Sailor told James M'Kenzie paddles are iron. Sailor spells well. Drunk man dance on floor shake table noise great. You said Wm was a bad boy to walk up and down on the edge of the boat—Near Rothsay see lambs on grass, got dinner in Mr Smith's house Bute inn dinner broth boiled & ate loaf fishes and eggs, spoons, forks, & knives & punchspoons drink glasses and went away into steamboat.

I am

Dear Master,

Your loving pupil,

MARGARET LIDDELL,

58 Johnstreet  
Glasgow 24th April 1820 }

*The following is by a Boy who has been Two Years and Nine Months under Tuition.*

Dear Uncle,

God made the first man of the dust of the ground, He called him Adam, he made the first woman of the man's rib taken out of him while he slept, and he called her Eve, God put them into a pleasant garden called Eden or Paradise, they did eat the forbidden fruit of a particular tree. The devil tempted Eve to eat, Eve ate first then gave some to her husband, God turned them out of the pleasant garden, He punished them for eating the forbidden fruit. He told them they should die. Not to eat the forbidden fruit live for ever, they had coats of skin. He send a Saviour to save them from everlasting death. Cain was Adam's & Eve's eldest son. Abel was Adam's & Eve's second son.



Cain was a tiller of the ground. Abel was a keeper of sheep. Cain was a wicked man he killed his brother Abel. Cain was obliged to leave his country and go in a foreign land called Nod. Cain was the first murderer. Abel was a better man than Cain.

I am

Dear Uncle

Your loving nephew

WM URE

*No 58 Johnstreet  
Glasgow 27th Nov. 1819* }

Dear Uncle,

Job was the most patient man, he had great many sheep, camels, yoke of oxen & sheasses, at the night thieves & robbers took them away & killed his sons & daughters, he is a good man, All the men were grown so wicked there was only one good man, his name was Noah, God told him to build an ark of gopherwood. He sent a great deal of waters; all his family, beasts, fowls, & every creeping things in it, it floated on the waters, he sent a dove out of the ark, it could not find a rest, he sent it again, it found an olive leaf & brought it in its mouth, he sent it again, it did not come back, he thought the waters were abated, God told him to go out of the ark with all his family, and all the beasts, fowls and every creeping things, the ark rest upon the top of the mountain called Ararat, The rain-bow is a sign to mankind that God will not drown the earth again. There were 8 persons in the world, saved.

I am,

Dear Uncle,

Your loving nephew,

WILLIAM URE.

*58 Johnstreet,  
Glasgow, 14th Sept. 1819.* }

Dear Sir,

This<sup>d</sup> morning I dreamed that Robert Pollock & I walked to the country, & we saw a fine palace before the quay at Ayr a great many ships, brigs, and sloops lie at



Quay, we opened the door, walked up the stairs, we were affraid of six lions, I thought Robt. Pollock was killed, I ran fast away and close the door of the palace, I saw Port-Glasgow sunk in the sea and all the ships & boats were going to lift PortGlasgow steam boat. I went to another house, it is the bank-house at Ayr.

I am,

Dear Sir,

Your loving pupil,

WILLIAM URE.

38 Johnstreet }  
Glasgow 15th Sept. 1819 }

At the close of the examination, (April 20th,) Wm. Ure was asked to write a letter, describing any thing he had observed since he entered the room. In a few minutes, he wrote the following on his slate:

Dear Sir,

This day I am very happy to see you and all the Ladies and Gentlemen, who have come into this house, I saw some of them laugh at us I do not know what they laugh at, Some of the scholars do not love to come to this house they are afraid for so many persons, they think shame if they have not all their lessons well. I think we should be very glad and happy to see so many friends, who wish us to be made wise and happy.

I am,

Dear Sir,

Your most humble servant,

WILLIAM URE.

Andersonian Hall }  
Johnstreet 20th April 1820 }



## List of Subscribers.

|                                   |     |    |   |                                  |     |    |   |
|-----------------------------------|-----|----|---|----------------------------------|-----|----|---|
| Adamson, Frederick .....          | £5  | 5  | 0 | Dick, Douglas .....              | £1  | 1  | 0 |
| Alston, John .....                | 5   | 5  | 0 | Ewing, James .....               | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| Alston, R. D. ....                | 5   | 5  | 0 | Eccles, James .....              | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Allan, Robert & Co. ....          | 5   | 5  | 0 | Fyfe, James .....                | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| Alston, John T. ....              | 5   | 5  | 0 | Findlay, Robert .....            | 10  | 10 | 0 |
| Aitken, Robert .....              | 3   | 3  | 0 | Fyfe, John .....                 | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Angus, William .....              | 1   | 1  | 0 | Fleming, John .....              | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Alston, George .....              | 5   | 5  | 0 | Fleming, Matthew .....           | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Arnot, Thomas .....               | 2   | 2  | 0 | Fleming, J. ....                 | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Alexander, James .....            | 1   | 1  | 0 | Furlong, William .....           | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Bogle, Robert .....               | 50  | 0  | 0 | Finlay, Miss M. ....             | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Buchanan, James .....             | 25  | 0  | 0 | Falconer, P. of R. D. F. & Co... | 3   | 3  | 0 |
| Bogle, Hugh .....                 | 35  | 0  | 0 | Forsyth, George .....            | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Brown, Archibald .....            | 10  | 10 | 0 | Finlay, Kirkman, M. P. ....      | 50  | 0  | 0 |
| Buchanan, George .....            | 5   | 5  | 0 | Fleming, Bowman .....            | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Brown, James .....                | 5   | 5  | 0 | Grundy, Edmond .....             | 10  | 10 | 0 |
| Buchanan, William .....           | 1   | 1  | 0 | Gordon, John .....               | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| Brown, John Jun. ....             | 10  | 10 | 0 | Gillespie, Colin .....           | 10  | 10 | 0 |
| Bleaymire, William .....          | 1   | 1  | 0 | Glen, George .....               | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Brock, Walter .....               | 1   | 1  | 0 | Gray, William .....              | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Brown, James A. ....              | 5   | 5  | 0 | Graham, William .....            | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Black, William .....              | 1   | 1  | 0 | Garden, Alexander .....          | 10  | 10 | 0 |
| Bartholomew, John .....           | 2   | 2  | 0 | Graham, William, Jun. ....       | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Brash, James .....                | 1   | 1  | 0 | Gibb, Rev. Dr. ....              | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Buchanan, John .....              | 1   | 1  | 0 | Gibson, J. ....                  | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Bryce, John .....                 | 2   | 2  | 0 | Graham, John .....               | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Burn, George .....                | 1   | 1  | 0 | Galloway, John .....             | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Brown, Nicol .....                | 21  | 0  | 0 | Glasgow, Countess of .....       | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Buchanan, William .....           | 1   | 1  | 0 | Guthrie, John, of Carbeth .....  | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| Buchanan, George .....            | 5   | 5  | 0 | Gibson, John .....               | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Bell, William .....               | 10  | 10 | 0 | Hill, James .....                | 21  | 0  | 0 |
| Brown, Dr. ....                   | 1   | 1  | 0 | Hamilton, John .....             | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| Black, Miss .....                 | 1   | 0  | 0 | Hamilton, James, Jun. ....       | 21  | 0  | 0 |
| Buchanan, James at J. F. & Co.'s. | 5   | 5  | 0 | Hamilton, William .....          | 10  | 10 | 0 |
| Buchanan, Peter .....             | 2   | 2  | 0 | Hagart, Robert .....             | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Baxter, Isaac .....               | 1   | 1  | 0 | Hutcheson, James .....           | 10  | 10 | 0 |
| Brown, Lilburn, & Co. ....        | 2   | 2  | 0 | Hutcheson, Peter .....           | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Burns, John .....                 | 3   | 3  | 0 | Hutchison, Charles .....         | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Balfour, Rev. Mr. of Sorn .....   | 1   | 1  | 0 | Hill, Laurence .....             | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Brown, John, Dunlop-Street....    | 10  | 10 | 0 | Henderson, John .....            | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Crooks, Adam .....                | 25  | 0  | 0 | Hamilton, Patrick .....          | 1   | 0  | 0 |
| Campbell, James M. ....           | 1   | 1  | 0 | Hunter, William .....            | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Campbell, Colin .....             | 25  | 0  | 0 | Hamilton, Alexander .....        | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Campbell, Mungo N. ....           | 10  | 10 | 0 | Hutchison, Mrs. Charles .....    | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Campbell, Alexander .....         | 10  | 10 | 0 | Hamilton, Archibald .....        | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Campbell, Colin, Ingram-Street.   | 5   | 5  | 0 | Henderson, James E. ....         | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Campbell, Alexander Jun. ....     | 1   | 1  | 0 | Hopkirk, James .....             | 10  | 10 | 0 |
| Connal, William .....             | 1   | 1  | 0 | Hutcheson, Miss, George Square   | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Cuthbertson, William .....        | 1   | 1  | 0 | Harvey, John, Garthamlock ....   | 2   | 0  | 0 |
| Crum, John .....                  | 2   | 2  | 0 | Jarvie, Robert .....             | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Carrick, Robert .....             | 10  | 10 | 0 | Jardine, Professor .....         | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Carrick, J. A. & R. ....          | 5   | 5  | 0 | Johnston, William .....          | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Cunell, Miss .....                | 1   | 0  | 0 | Irvin, William .....             | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Cuthbertson, Donald .....         | 2   | 2  | 0 | Kerr, William, & Co. ....        | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Currie, William .....             | 2   | 2  | 0 | Kippen, William .....            | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Cowan, John .....                 | 1   | 1  | 0 | Kinnear, Robert .....            | 3   | 3  | 0 |
| Carnegie, John .....              | 5   | 5  | 0 | Kerr, How, & Co. ....            | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Campbell, Mrs. ....               | 5   | 5  | 0 | Kippen, Mrs. West St. Vincent-   |     |    |   |
| Douglas, Right Hon. Lord .....    | 105 | 0  | 0 | Street .....                     | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Douglas, Colin .....              | 5   | 5  | 0 | Liddell, William .....           | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Douglas, John .....               | 1   | 1  | 0 | Lancaster, Thomas .....          | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Dennistoun, James .....           | 25  | 0  | 0 | Lamb, D. Jun. ....               | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Dennistoun, James, Jun. ....      | 5   | 5  | 0 | Lang, John .....                 | 5   | 5  | 0 |
| Dalglish, Robert .....            | 10  | 10 | 0 | Laird, David .....               | 10  | 10 | 0 |
| Dunn, William .....               | 30  | 0  | 0 | Lindsay, William .....           | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Dalglish, Andrew S. ....          | 5   | 5  | 0 | Leslie & Reid .....              | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Dunlop, James and Sons .....      | 21  | 0  | 0 | Lindsay, James .....             | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Dinwiddie, R. ....                | 1   | 1  | 0 | Lockhart, Rev. Dr. ....          | 1   | 1  | 0 |
| Downie, John .....                | 1   | 1  | 0 | Loudoun, Misses .....            | 12  | 7  | 0 |
| Dick, Richard .....               | 5   | 0  | 0 | Lang, Archibald .....            | 2   | 2  | 0 |
| Dunlop, Miss .....                | 1   | 1  | 0 | Monteith, Henry .....            | 100 | 0  | 0 |
| Dennistoun, Mrs. Kelvin Grove     | 25  | 0  | 0 | Maxwell, John, M. P. ....        | 5   | 0  | 0 |
| Deakin, James .....               | 1   | 1  | 0 | May, John .....                  | 5   | 5  | 0 |



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| Monteith, William .....          | £10 | 10 | 0 | Ryburn, John .....                | £2 | 2  | 0 |
| Mitchell, Andrew .....           | 5   | 5  | 0 | Smith, Archibald .....            | 50 | 0  | 0 |
| Muir, Robert H. ....             | 1   | 1  | 0 | Stirling, Charles .....           | 50 | 0  | 0 |
| Muirhead Lockhart, Professor..   | 2   | 2  | 0 | Stewart, Lady .....               | 2  | 2  | 0 |
| Murray, John .....               | 3   | 3  | 0 | Stirling, Charles, Jun. ....      | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Mathie, Benjamin .....           | 2   | 2  | 0 | Smith, James .....                | 25 | 0  | 0 |
| Miller, James, & Co. ....        | 2   | 2  | 0 | Stewart, James .....              | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Monteath, James .....            | 1   | 1  | 0 | Stevenson, Alexander .....        | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Morris, Richard H. ....          | 1   | 1  | 0 | Smith, John .....                 | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Mudie, William .....             | 1   | 1  | 0 | Shedden, William .....            | 3  | 3  | 0 |
| Mitchell, Thomas .....           | 3   | 3  | 0 | Stevenson, Nathaniel .....        | 2  | 2  | 0 |
| Mitchell, William .....          | 1   | 1  | 0 | Stevenson, James .....            | 3  | 3  | 0 |
| Mitchell, Andrew .....           | 1   | 1  | 0 | Smith, William, Jun. ....         | 2  | 2  | 0 |
| Muir, Rev. Dr. ....              | 4   | 4  | 0 | Stirling, Archibald .....         | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Morris, H. Jun. ....             | 5   | 5  | 0 | Smith, William .....              | 10 | 10 | 9 |
| Morrison, Eneas .....            | 1   | 1  | 0 | Smith, Archibald, Youngest. ....  | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Murdoch, James, Jun. ....        | 2   | 2  | 0 | Sim, David .....                  | 3  | 3  | 0 |
| Monteith, John .....             | 2   | 2  | 0 | Sym, John .....                   | 2  | 2  | 0 |
| Middleton, William .....         | 5   | 5  | 0 | Shand, William .....              | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Mitchell, Moncrieff. ....        | 1   | 1  | 0 | Sharpe, John, F. ....             | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| M'Ilwham, John .....             | 21  | 0  | 0 | Simpson, William .....            | 2  | 2  | 0 |
| M'Lachlan, Colin .....           | 5   | 5  | 0 | Smyth, A. ....                    | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| M'Nab, Robert .....              | 1   | 1  | 0 | Sword, J. Annfield .....          | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| M'Gill, Rev. Dr. ....            | 1   | 1  | 0 | Smith, John, Youngest .....       | 2  | 2  | 0 |
| M'Caul, John .....               | 10  | 10 | 0 | Strang, Robert .....              | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| M'Bean, D. ....                  | 5   | 5  | 0 | Stirling, William .....           | 2  | 2  | 0 |
| M'Farlane, John .....            | 6   | 6  | 0 | Stenhouse, Miss .....             | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| M'Nab, Archibald .....           | 5   | 5  | 0 | Semple, Mr. Carlton-Place. ....   | 10 | 0  | 0 |
| M'Grigor, Alexander .....        | 1   | 1  | 0 | Smith, Archibald, Jun. ....       | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| M'Gavin, John .....              | 1   | 1  | 0 | Smith, Mrs. George-Square. ....   | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| M'Haffie .....                   | 1   | 1  | 0 | Stevenson, George .....           | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| M'Pherson, Alexander .....       | 1   | 1  | 0 | Stewart, Duncan .....             | 1  | 0  | 0 |
| M'Call, John .....               | 10  | 10 | 0 | Simpson, James .....              | 2  | 0  | 0 |
| M'Nair, James, Jun. ....         | 42  | 0  | 0 | Stenhouse, John .....             | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| M'Nair, Miss .....               | 10  | 10 | 0 | Thomson, John .....               | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| M'Nair, Mrs. ....                | 5   | 5  | 0 | Tennent, Andrew, for Self. .... } | 26 | 5  | 0 |
| M'Gregor, Miss .....             | 3   | 3  | 0 | and John Tennent. .... }          |    |    |   |
| M'Kenzie, Daniel .....           | 10  | 10 | 0 | Tennent, Hugh .....               | 7  | 7  | 0 |
| M'Kenzie, James .....            | 10  | 10 | 0 | Taylor, Donald .....              | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Newall, Archibald .....          | 5   | 5  | 0 | Thomson, Robert .....             | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Newbigging, John .....           | 1   | 1  | 0 | Thomson, Robert, Jun. ....        | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Newbigging, Archibald .....      | 1   | 1  | 0 | Taylor, Principal .....           | 2  | 2  | 0 |
| Neil, John .....                 | 1   | 1  | 0 | Urquhart, John .....              | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Nimmo, Dr. ....                  | 5   | 5  | 0 | Ure, John .....                   | 3  | 3  | 0 |
| Ogle, Maurice .....              | 1   | 1  | 0 | Ure, James .....                  | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Oswald, James .....              | 5   | 5  | 0 | Wigham, Anthony .....             | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Playfair, Patrick .....          | 5   | 5  | 0 | Wighton, Alexander .....          | 2  | 2  | 0 |
| Pollock, James .....             | 5   | 5  | 0 | Wood, John .....                  | 10 | 10 | 0 |
| Paterson, James, Jun. ....       | 5   | 5  | 0 | Watson, Robert .....              | 21 | 0  | 0 |
| Perston, John .....              | 1   | 1  | 0 | Watson, Gilbert .....             | 21 | 0  | 0 |
| Perston, Matthew .....           | 1   | 1  | 0 | Walrond, Theodore .....           | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Parker, Charles S. ....          | 6   | 6  | 0 | Wallace, Archibald .....          | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Penman, Andrew .....             | 1   | 1  | 0 | Wright, J. Jun. ....              | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Pollock, Miss, George-Square...  | 3   | 3  | 0 | Wilson, Andrew .....              | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Paterson, James, 44, St. A. Sq.. | 5   | 5  | 0 | Walker, Professor .....           | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Paterson, Robert .....           | 1   | 1  | 0 | Whyte, Andrew .....               | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Provand, C. M. ....              | 1   | 1  | 0 | Wotherspoon, Matthew .....        | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Rodgers, James H. ....           | 5   | 5  | 0 | White, Andrew .....               | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Ranken, Rev. Dr. ....            | 4   | 4  | 0 | White, Robert .....               | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Ranken, Andrew .....             | 6   | 6  | 0 | Watt, Barr, & Co. ....            | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Rutherford, George .....         | 2   | 2  | 0 | Walker, Knox, & Co. ....          | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Rodger, James .....              | 5   | 5  | 0 | Wood, Henry .....                 | 5  | 5  | 0 |
| Rowand, Michael .....            | 5   | 5  | 0 | Wilson, Mrs. Lanark. ....         | 1  | 0  | 0 |
| Robertson, J. & A. ....          | 1   | 1  | 0 | Young, Robert .....               | 2  | 2  | 0 |
| Robertson, Rev. Mr. Cumbuslang   | 1   | 1  | 0 | Young, Professor .....            | 1  | 1  | 0 |
| Reid, Mrs. Greenlaw .....        | 5   | 0  | 0 | Young, Mrs. Dr. ....              | 5  | 0  | 0 |



